HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 352 By Sands

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Rebekah Ellen Ruppel, 2001 Valedictorian of Zion Christian Academy.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Ellen Ruppel is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2001 graduating class at Zion Christian Academy; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Rebekah Ruppel has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of elite students in Tennessee and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, A sterling scholar, Rebekah has been listed in *Who's Who Among American*High School Students for three years and was awarded the Xerox Award for Humanities/Social

Sciences; and

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WHEREAS, During her four years at Zion Christian Academy, Ms. Ruppel was a valuable and active member of the Interact Club and the National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Ellen Ruppel has demonstrated tremendous athletic ability as a talented cross-country runner and softball player; and

WHEREAS, In addition to her academic responsibilities at Zion Christian Academy,
Rebekah Ruppel attended two classes at Columbia State University during her senior year; her
display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ruppel's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Gary and Cindy Ruppel, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Her dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Zion Christian Academy Valedictorian, Rebekah Ellen Ruppel, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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